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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Erik Houge, et al.

Serial No.: 09/836,525

Filed: April 17, 2001

Title: LABORATORY SPECIMEN SAMPLER WITH INTEGRATED
SPECIMEN MOUNT

Grp./A.U.: 1743

Examiner: Lyle Alexander

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

In response to the Examiner's Action mailed September 24, 2003 and the Office Communication mailed January 12, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows: